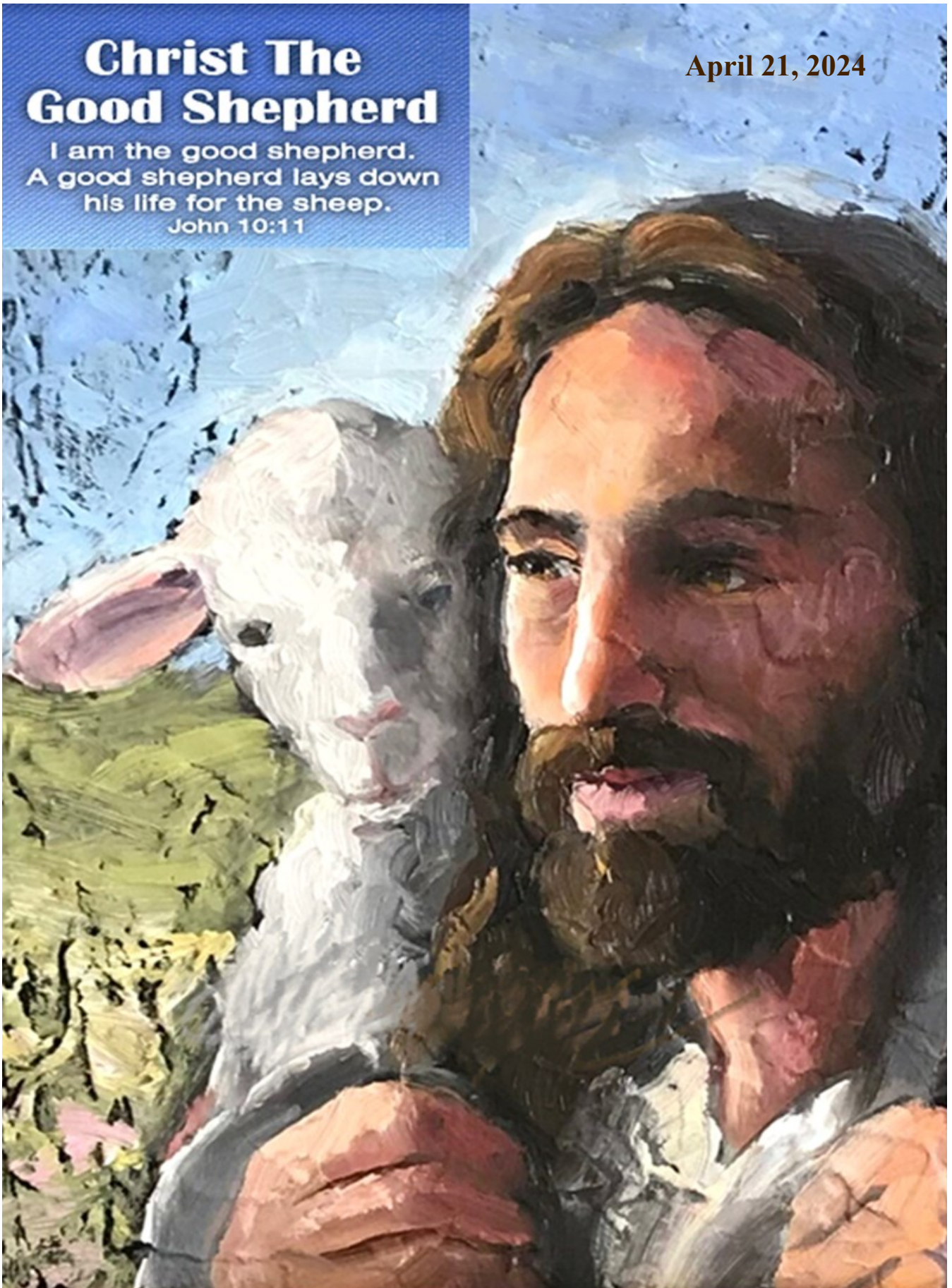


Christ The Good Shepherd

I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays down
his life for the sheep.
John 10:11

April 21, 2024



Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival



Our Lord's Parting with His Apostles

I adore you, O my God, together with your Apostles, during the forty days in which you visited them after your Resurrection. So blessed was the time, so calm, so undisturbed from without, that it was good to be there with you, and when it was over, they could hardly believe that it was more than begun. How quickly must that first *Tempus Paschale* have flown! And they perhaps hardly knew when it was to end. At least, they did not like to anticipate its ending but were engrossed with the joy of the present moment. Oh, what a time of consolation! What a contrast to what had lately taken place! It was their happy time on earth – the foretaste of heaven, not noticed, not interfered with, by man. They passed it in wonder, in musing, in adoration, rejoicing in your light, O my risen God!

But you, my dear Lord, did know better than they! They hoped and desired, perhaps fancied, that that resting time never would end until it was superseded by something better; but you knew, in your eternal wisdom, that, to arrive at what was higher than any blessing that they were then enjoying, it was fitting, it was necessary, that they should sustain conflict and suffering. You knew well that unless you had departed, the Paraclete could not have come to them; and therefore, you did go, that they might gain more by your sorrowful absence than by your sensible visitations. I adore you, O Father, for sending the Son and the Holy Spirit!

O my God, let me never forget that seasons of consolation are refreshments here, and nothing more, not our abiding state. They will not remain with us except in heaven. Here they are only intended to prepare us for doing and suffering. I pray you, O my God, to give them to me from time to time. Shed over me the sweetness of your presence, lest I faint by the way; lest I find religious service wearisome, through my exceeding infirmity, and give up prayer and meditation; lest I go about my daily work in a dry spirit or am tempted to take pleasure in it for its own sake, and not for you.

Give me your divine consolations from time to time; but let me not rest in them. Let me use them for the purpose for which you give them. Let me not think it grievous; let me not be downcast if they go. Let them carry me forward to the thought and the desire of heaven.

"Everyday Meditations," St. John Henry Newman, pp 106-108.
(Abridged to fit in this column)



Friday Adoration after 8:15 a.m. Mass
with Benediction at 2:30 p.m.

Join us for our Monthly Encounter Nights

2nd Wednesday - after 6:00 p.m. Mass in Parish Center
4th Wednesday - after 6:00 p.m. Mass in the church for Adoration



DEVOTION AND MASS:

Please join our parish family on Wednesday
evenings for Devotion and Mass.

The Devotion begins at 5:30 p.m. in the church,
followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

In April we are praying the Litany to Mary, Help of Christians

PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Leopold Mushobozi, Parish Administrator
Fr. Deogratias Mpewo, Parochial Vicar
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Deacon Michael Smith

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MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m.
Weekdays: 7:00 a.m. Mon., Tue., & Thurs.
6:00 p.m. Wed.; 8:15 a.m. Fri.

DEVOTION 5:30-6:00 p.m. Wednesday

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Greg Koerner, Principal
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ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction
at 2:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Mon, Tue, Thur, 6:30-6:45 a.m., Fri. 7:45-8:00 a.m.
Or by appointment.

BAPTISM: Second and fourth Sunday of the month,
after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Parents must be registered
members and attend baptismal preparation sessions,
preferably before the birth of the child. Contact the
Parish Office 3 months in advance to schedule.

MATRIMONY: Couples contemplating marriage should
call the Office at least 8 months in advance. At least
one partner must be a registered parishioner at Holy
Cross and be actively practicing the faith. If you have
had a previous marriage, set no marriage date until
you have discussed this with your Pastor.

CARE OF THE SICK: Call the Parish Office to make
arrangements at any time for Communion and/or
the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Two Wednesdays prior to the
bulletin in which the information will be posted.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

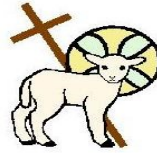
OUR PARISH

HOLY CROSS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Catholic Community of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is to provide a home for all who wish to join our spiritual family and share our Catholic beliefs and values. We are here to continue the life-giving works of Jesus Christ, to make His name known and loved, and to live our lives according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, under the leadership of the Bishop of the Peoria Diocese.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	April 27 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Tim Spila John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman, Peg Swanson Emma Lwao, Brody Oliveira
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	April 28 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Jay Geistlinger Sue Berndt, Barry Dickerson Landen Douglas, Nolan Kiser
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy Margie Hoss, Dawn Friedman, Terry Sturdyvin, Ben Laws Ben Summers, Ursula Tembo, Lincoln Wood
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Stephanie Rank Kristina Maloney, Lydia Durdan



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 22 7:00 a.m.	Mikka Kwiatkowski
Tuesday, April 23 7:00 a.m.	Teresa Kim Thi Nguyen
Wednesday, April 24 6:00 p.m.	Rosemary Decker
Thursday, April 25 7:00 a.m.	Mike Covello
Friday, April 26 8:15 a.m.	All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, April 27 5:30 p.m.	Theresa Brya
Sunday, April 28 8:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Ricardo Galvan
4:00 p.m.	Joanna Schuster

BINGO IN MAY!



Join us for BINGO and fun at Holy Cross Parish Center on Friday, May 3rd. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Bingo cards and Daubers will be available to purchase at that time. Concessions open at 5:30 p.m. as well. Dinner & dessert for a donation of \$10. Cans of Soda are available for \$1. Lemonade, Tea, Water is provided at no charge. Bingo will begin at 6:30 p.m. Join us for 15 games of Bingo! \$20 for 9 cards per game. Or \$10 for 3 cards per game. Cash prizes will be \$25, \$50, & \$100. (Prizes based on a minimum number of 25 people.) Daubers are \$1 or bring your own! If you have questions, contact the parish office at 217-352-8748.

Hungry: Taco Bar: Beef or Chicken, with fixings served with a Corn or flour tortillas. Drinks: Lemonade, Tea, or Water are complementary. Dessert included as well.

Proceeds go to Holy Cross School.



FAITHFUL DEPARTED - Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Bonnie Kelley, Mary McMahon and Rosemary Coffey. May their souls and those of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Lorenzo de Jesus Moreno, son of Fredy and Golene Moreno. Let us support little Lorenzo on his faith journey!

EUCCHARISTIC OUTREACH

If you would like to have an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion make home visits to you, call the Parish Office at (217) 352-8748, or email office@holycrosscatholic.org to be added to the list.



PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, Our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever.



COFFEE AND DONUTS - Come over to the Parish Center after the Sunday morning Masses for a cup of coffee and a delicious donut. Join old friends, make new friends.

Collection envelopes are available at the back of the church or in the Parish Office for donations to support the work and services provided by the Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt Counties.

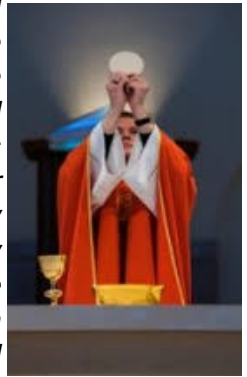
The Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt Counties offers services for those in need through its Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Parish Hall in Tolono, which is open to anyone and any family in need, regardless of income, residency, or age. Our Light of Hope and Parish Ministry of Financial Help programs offer short-term rent, utility or other assistance to individuals and families in need, and our Good Samaritan program provides transportation assistance for senior citizens. All our services are free, and all donations collected are used to serve individuals and families in need and residing in Champaign and Piatt Counties.

Please make your checks to 'Catholic Charities' and include 'Second Collection' on check memo line.

Thank You Very Much for helping us meet the needs of the poor among us!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

"Dear Lord, We pray that You would call many fine young men to the Priesthood. May they have the grace to hear Your call and to respond wholeheartedly, giving of themselves generously to the service of Your Church so that we may be greatly strengthened and may grow. May these fine young priests have the grace of perseverance and not burn out. And may they be supported and encouraged and appreciated. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen."



CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL STEAK DINNER

at Philo Tavern on
Sunday, April 28, 2024
101 Washington Street
Philo, Illinois



The Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt counties invites you to our Annual Steak Dinner

Cash bar opens at 4 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner are \$40/person.
Carry-out meals are also available.

This annual fundraiser benefits several important charitable programs offered in Champaign and Piatt counties, including St. Patrick's Food Pantry in Tolono, which is open to anyone and any family in need, regardless of income or residency, our Light of Hope and Good Samaritan programs, and our Parish Ministry of Financial Help program that assists parishes to serve those in need.

All our services are free.

To purchase tickets, please contact:
Gloria Fellers at: 217/649-8786, or gloria-fellers@comcast.net

Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities.

We look forward to seeing you at the dinner for food, fun and fellowship!

Holy Cross School
Music Program
Annual
**SPRING
PLANT
SALE**

Shop for flowers, herbs, & vegetables for your spring garden online at
<https://countryarbors.com/events/hcs-spring24>
and pick up right here at Holy Cross
on Friday, May 3rd.

Last Day to Order is April 28th

Collections

Offering for Easter.....	\$7,655.75
Offering for April 6th/7th.....	\$5,712.00
...Tuition Assistance.....	\$850.00
Offering for April 13th/14th.....	\$6,023.22
Development Fund.....	\$878.00

Thank you very much!



High School of St. Thomas More
 217-352-7210
www.hs-stm.org

STM Fine Annual Fine Arts Night. Please join us at the STM Annual Fine Arts night, Wednesday, May 1st beginning at 6:00 p.m. with viewing of art exhibits and appetizers. At 7:00 p.m. will be the performance part of the evening with a concert performed by our music students. After the concert is fellowship and dessert with more viewing of artwork! There will be a silent auction benefiting the visual arts that will have items from students

STM Youth Summer Sports Camps

Boys Basketball, Baseball, Volleyball, Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, Softball, and a Free Football Clinic

Camps are available for Grades K-8 and will take place throughout May and June. A free non-padded event will be offered on August 1st that introduces the fundamentals of football (limited to 40 participants). Registrations and payments received by May 13, 2024, guarantee camper t-shirts. All camps are located at the High School of Saint Thomas More, 3901 N Mattis Ave. in Champaign. Cost: Varies by Camp
 Visit www.hs-stm.org for more information and to register.

COMING SOON: Register for The High School of Saint Thomas More's 2nd Annual Tim Murphy Memorial Golf Outing & Shindig

Lake of the Woods Golf Course, 405 N Lake of The Woods Rd., Mahomet. Rotary Hill Pavilion, 901 Geranium Dr., Mahomet. When? Friday, August 2nd, 2024 (Rain date is Friday, August 9th).

7th & 8th Grade Student Shadow Visits: Do you have a 7th or 8th grader interested in attending STM? Sign them up for a Shadow Visit Day! Generally on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday of each month, these visits give a prospective student a chance to see firsthand what STM is all about by following a current Saber for a day. To sign your son or daughter up, go to hs-stm.org and click the "Visit" button in the menu on the homepage. Questions? Email Rachael McMillan at admissions@hs-stm.org.



Holy Cross School
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www.holycrosselem.org



Did you Know? Your child can attend a Catholic School!

Financial Assistance Is Available. Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria **ROOTED IN FAITH** Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2024-2025 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under **Catholic Education** and then under **Financial Assistance**.

Consult the detailed protocols, procedures, and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: online.factsmgt.com/aid. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2024-2025 school year must reapply. Deadline for the completed application is **April 26, 2024**.

Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2024.

WDCR'S 13TH ANNUAL DINNER

Keynote Speaker:

Monsignor Jason A. Gray, J.C.D.

Executive Director of the Archbishop Fulton Sheen Foundation



The Canonization Process for Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Learn About:

- The life of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen
- The Canonization Process regarding Archbishop Sheen
- The child who is an approved miracle for Venerable Archbishop Sheen's canonization process



Thursday, April 25, 2024

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 Doors open @ 5:30 PM • Dinner @ 6:15 PM
 \$50 per person or \$400 for a table of 8

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• Enclosed is my payment for _____ (# of guests) at \$50/each = \$ _____

• _____ I would like to reserve a table for 8 (\$400)

Please include names of guests:

Check payable to **Decatur Catholic Radio** enclosed

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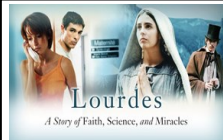
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BERNADETTE

From Jean Delannoy, one of France's foremost filmmakers, comes this top quality feature film production of the story of St. Bernadette and the apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes. Actress Sydney Penny gives a beautiful performance as Bernadette, and the rest of the cast is equally superb. Also stars Roland Lesaffre and Michele Simonnet. It is highly recommended by the Vatican as a "sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience." Shot on location in France with outstanding cinematography and a beautiful music score, this is the film that was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes.



LOURDES: STORY OF FAITH, SCIENCE, & MIRACLES

"Bernard Guillaumet, a non-Christian French journalist, is assigned the job of doing a story on Lourdes in the late 1990s. Just before he leaves for Lourdes, Bernard learns that his wife is pregnant. However, he is not told that this pregnancy could put her life at risk—and that doctors are suggesting an abortion.

While researching for his report on Lourdes, Bernard comes across the pages of an old family manuscript. The manuscript was written by his ancestor, Henri Guillaumet, a positivist scientist and nonbeliever who met Bernadette at Lourdes in 1858, a meeting which profoundly affected Henri and forced him to reconsider the miracles performed following the apparitions of the Madonna of Lourdes. One of the most important miracles H. Guillaumet had to reconsider was the healing of his wife Claire, who had been on her death bed as a result of tuberculosis, and was completely restored by the miraculous waters of the grotto in which Bernadette saw Our Lady.

This intriguing film uses the pages of the manuscript to trace the stories of three lives—Bernadette, Henry, and Bernard—three characters whose lives intertwine as they pursue parallel journeys according to the designs of Providence. Directed by Lodovico Gasparini (St. John Bosco, Don Matteo), stars Alessandro Gassman, Angele Osinski, and Sydne Rome, and written by Vittorio Messori (The Ratzinger Report)."

A Word from Joy. Financial Assistance request: we have a request from a single mother whose ex-husband has been unable to meet his financial obligations. She is seriously behind on her electric bill, and has other difficulties. ongoing SVdP came through with a one-time \$150 donation to help out. This mom was able to get the utility bill put on a payment plan and she is working on having the Salvation Army put a matching gift toward her bill (and we will provide the initial amount they can match). We are still waiting for this. New: this woman's ex-husband is seriously ill with cancer. Please keep this man and both families in your prayers. We stand at the ready to help out with bills as needed. Thank you.

Furniture available: New: We delivered the king mattress and couch. Thank you to our delivery people! We have new requests for a couch for another family, a rug and ongoing requests for a bunk-bed or trundle bed situation.

One of our Moms will be ineligible for section 8 housing starting in August, unless she moves out of Champaign county. She is in a panic because honestly, she cannot afford her financial obligations now, and when that aid gets turned off, she will be in more severe difficulty. We will try to give her budgeting counsel and see if we can help her get into a better financial situation. Please pray for this family.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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- Menacher & Sizer Families
- Leonard & Loretto Doyle
- Alan & Patricia Berndt
- Thomas McCarthy
- Costello Family
- Leta & Kenny Porter
- Ron Murphy
- Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families
- Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.